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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington 25, D.C.

February 29, 1952

Mr. George MacClain
2646 South Fort Scott Drive
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Mr. MacClain:

On February 21, 1952 at Ottawa, Canada, Ambassador Stanley Woodward and I, on behalf of the United States and Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport on behalf of the Canadian Government, officially signed the "AGREEMENT FOR THE PROMOTION OF SAFETY ON THE GREAT LAKES BY MEANS OF RADIO" reached during the extremely satisfactory meeting which took place between the United States and Canadian Delegations from May 7 to May 11, 1951 in Ottawa, Canada. The Agreement as signed does not include Article 17 - Other Treaties, Conventions, and Laws - as was agreed upon at the May meeting. As you know, following that meeting the deletion of Article 17 was requested by the Canadian Government. This was agreed to after discussions with the Department of State and an exchange of correspondence with individual members of the Delegation.

As Chairman of the United States Delegation I wish to express to you my personal gratitude as well as that of the Department of State for the contribution you made in bringing this meeting to a successful conclusion. The diplomacy, legal acumen and initiative demonstrated by you at this meeting were recognized not only by me but by the Canadian representatives as well. These qualities, combined with your untiring efforts and clear understanding of the problems involved, were of inestimable assistance in arriving at a general accord. I recall that at one point in the proceedings the Canadian Delegation was faced with certain major legal difficulties which threatened to prevent the two countries from reaching an accord. However, through your efforts alone they were finally able to resolve the problems. You can be justly proud of the part you played in creating this public document.

It is my hope that we will be associated again on some future mission.

Sincerely,

/s/ E. M. Webster